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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003, for five months from September 26, 2003, to February 26, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$1005.00 is attached hereto to cover the cost of the extension. Please charge any additional required fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 111833.

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